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Title: METHODS OF PREPARING BONE MARROW STROMAL CELLS
FOR USE IN GENE THERAPY

The prior application is assigned of record to ALG Company,
a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and
Trademark Office for recording on April 8, 1996 at 7882/0022.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	34
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Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 4 pages, and Form PTO 892, 2 pages, listing documents
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- Preliminary amendment, 8 pages.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/107,051, filed on June 30, 1998 (currently pending) which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/581,053, filed on December 23, 1997. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

Preliminarily, on page 1 of the specification, between lines 4 and 5, insert --This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/107,051, filed on June 30, 1998, (now pending) which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/581,053, filed on December 29, 1995 (now abandoned), which are both incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.--

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